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Flame-Retardant Thermoset Compositions

# PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop: Patent Application Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

#### Dear Sir:

Prior to the calculation of the filing fee for the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

# Amendments to the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A flame-retardant thermoset composition which comprises, as a flame retardant, selected from the group consisting of at least one a phosphinic salt of the formula (I) and/or a diphosphinic salt of the formula (II) and/or polymers of these a polymer of the phosphinic salt of formula (I), a polymer of the diphosphinic salt of formula (II) and mixtures thereof (component A)

# **CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.10**

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